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{ L. S. }

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Newington qualified to vote in town affairs :

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said town, on the second Tuesday of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following subjects :

1. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

2. To choose Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Superintendent of Burying Ground, Janitor of the Town Hall, Auditors, Highway Agents and a Library Trustee.

3. To choose Measurers of Wood, Surveyors of Lnmbers, Fence Viewers, Pound Keeper, Fish and Game Wardens, Police Officers, and all other necessary town officers.

4. To see what sum of money the town will raise for town expenses.

5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the repairs of highways and bridges.

6. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the Public Library.

7. To see what disposition the town will make of the town's land and buildings.

8. To see if the town will vote to cut wood on the town's land for the school, library, poor and meetings.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-second day of February, 1897.

CLARENCE M. DE ROCHEMONT,
WILLIAM L. FURBER,
JOHN J. GREENOUGH,
} *Selectmen of Newington.*

A true copy of warrant, attest :

CLARENCE M. DE ROCHEMONT,
WILLLIAM L. FURBER,
JOHN J. GREENOUGH,
} *Selectmen of Newington.*

Town Officers Chosen March, 1896.

Town Clerk, ALBERT E. HODGDON.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, CLARENCE M. de ROCHEMONT, WILLIAM L. FURBER, JOHN J. GREENOUGH.

Treasurer, FREDERICK PICKERING.

Collector of Taxes, GILBERT P. HOYT.

Highway Agents, ROBERT H. PICKERING, ISRAEL A. NEILL, ENOCH COLEMAN.

Superintendent of Burying Ground, ENOCH COLEMAN.

Janitor of the Town Hall, FRELINGHUYSEN MOODY.

Auditors, VALENTINE M. COLEMAN, ISAAC F. JENNESS.

Library Trustees, AMANDA PICKERING, first year; JAMES DREW, second year; JAMES W. COLEMAN, third year.

Moderator, (Chosen Nov., 1896,) VALENTINE M. COLEMAN.

Supervisors of the Checklist, (Chosen Nov., 1896,) JAMES B. PICKERING, CHARLES A. DAME, STILLMAN A. PACKARD.

Summary of Inventory.

	No.	Valuation.
Polls,	97	$9,400
Land and buildings,		189,060
Horses,	149	9,150
Oxen,	6	300
Cows,	514	12,840
Neat Stock,	3	75
Sheep,	27	81
Fowls,	100	50
Carriages,	6	350
Bank stock,		3,466
Money at interest,		2,250
Stock in trade,		1,025
Total valuation,		$228,047

Amount committed to Collector,	$3,230 46
Rate per cent.	1 42

ABATEMENTS.

Abra H. Garrett, $150 did not have,	2 13
Asa H. Wentworth, 1 cow lost,	35
Henry S. Emery, poll tax, left town,	1 42
William Garland, poll tax, left town,	1 42
Ephraim P. Downing, poll tax, over 70 years old,	1 42
John I. Trefethen, wood lot,	4 00
Frederick Pickering, "	1 80
Joshua B. Pickering, "	1 80
James Packard, "	2 60
E. A. Whidden, "	1 80
G. A. Murray, "	2 40
G. H. Howe, "	1 20
J. E. Pickering, "	60
J. W. Hoyt, "	70
V. M. Coleman, "	60
Mrs. C. H. Coleman, "	75
	$24 99

Selectmen's Report.

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

State tax,	$545 00
County tax,	574 65
	$1119 65

SCHOOL MONEY.

Amount assessed,	$545 00
Dog money on hand, 1896,	74 35
Literary fund,	32 20
	$651 55
Less R. Pickering's school tax,	15 54
	$636 01

Orders issued on the Treasurer by the Selectmen :

No. 1, Ilsley & George, insurance,	$60 00
2, John D. Randall, for printing town reports last year,	26 00
3, Edson C. Eastman, invoice record,	10 00
4, County Commissioners, fees on new road,	125 85
5, Albert H. Garland, supervisor,	5 00
6, Emma L. Rollins, land damages,	126 00
7, Daniel W. Badger, land damages,	100 00
8, Rider & Cotton, street lamps and brackets,	9 50
9, L. E. Scruton, services on new road,	76 00
10, Charles A. Badger, part payment for new road,	300 00
11, Albert H. Garland, constable enforcing dog law,	2 00
12, Times Publishing Co., printing catalogues,	40 50
13, Frederick Pickering, school supplies,	21 28
14, Charles A. Badger, balance due for new road,	1300 00
15, Amanda Pickering, part of library appropriation,	25 00
16, Robert H. Pickering, services on new road,	10 00
17, Israel A. Neill, services on new road,	10 00

18, David Legro, repairing furnace,		11 00
19, Albert H. Garland, Supervisor November election, 1896,		5 00
20, Amanda Pickering, balance library appropriation,		50 00
21, Isaac F. Jenness, Inspector of Election,		2 00
22, Enoch Coleman, services on new road,		10 00
F. W. de Rochemont, wire for fence,		3 15
24, A. N. Wells, repairs on furnace,		6 63
25, James W. Coleman, Supervisor for March and November elections,		10 00
26, L. C. Pickering, sawing and housing 11 cords of wood, at 50 cents a cord,	5 50	
Sexton of meeting house,	20 00	
Repairs of lamps,	1 90	
Hauling 4 cords of wood for the meeting house, at 50 cents a cord,	2 00	
Cutting 21 cords of wood, at $1 a cord,	21 00	
		50 40
27, William C. Pickering, hauling 21 cords of wood, at 50 cents a cord,		10 50
28, Daniel W. Badger, Supervisor for March and November elections,		10 00
29, Albert E. Hodgdon, services as Town Clerk,	15 00	
Recording births, deaths and marriages,	1 95	
Stationery and postage,	82	
		17 77
30, Enoch Coleman, wire fence on town land,		5 00
31. Enoch Coleman, Supt. of Burying Ground,		10 00
32, Frederick Pickering, Board of Education,		12 00
33, City of Portsmouth, R. Pickering's school tax,		15 54
34, Wm. L. Furber. services as Selectman,	15 00	
Erecting booths,	1 50	
Repair on town barn,	50	
		17 00
35, John J. Greenough, services as Selectman,		15 00
36, Frederick Pickering, Treasurer,		10 00
37, Frederick Pickering, damage to sheep by dogs,		2 00
38, Rider & Cotton, wire and staples for fence,		8 88
39, C. H. Pickering, damage to 3 ducks by dogs,		2 25
40, Jackson M. Hoyt, Inspector of Nov. election,	2 00	
Watching fire one night in woods,	1 00	
		3 00

41, L. C. Pickering, tending mason at furnace,		2 25
42, Gilbert P. Hoyt, services as Tax Collector,	30 00	
Tax bills,	1 00	
		31 00
43, Frederick Pickering, school supplies,	4 83	
44, Frederick Pickering, school supplies,	10 53	
45, Frederick Pickering, school supplies,	10 30	
		35 66
46, James W. Coleman, interest on Demeritt fund,		6 00
47, L. C. Pickering, tending fire in woods one night,		1 00
48, Hoyt & Dow, town supplies,	3 00	
49, Hoyt & Dow, school supplies,	1 95	
		4 95
50, Darius Frink, services as Inspector of Nov. election,		2 00
51, L. C. Bean, services as Inspector of Nov. election,		2 00
52, Wm. O. Junkins, returns of deaths and births,		1 75
53, Frederick Pickering, services for Moderator, two years,		3 00
54, Frederick Pickering, bill for self and C. M. de Rochemont, opposing L. L. de Rochemont's bill for being set off for school purposes,		7 66
55, C. M. de Rochemont, services for Selectman,	20 00	
3 blank books,	20	
Paper,	10	
Times Publishing Co.,	1 00	
50 postals,	50	
Printing postals,	75	
Express,	25	
Expenses to Concord, settling state tax,	5 00	
Labor,	1 00	
Barrel of lime,	1 00	
Labor and board of Mr. Legro, on furnace,	4 00	
Bill to Concord	1 50	
Bill to Concord,	1 50	
Expenses to Concord,	3 33	
Paper,	20	
		40 33
56, Frederick Pickering, school money in full, less R. Pickering's tax,		561 66

57, V. M. Coleman and Isaac F. Jenness, Auditors' fees,	2 00
58, Franklin A. Pickering, land damage,	15 00
59, Board of Education, school supplies,	2 28
Total amount of foregoing orders,	$3252 79
Total amount of highway orders,	747 00
State tax,	545 00
County tax,	574 65
Total amount expended,	$5116 44
Cash on hand with Treasurer, 1896,	76 19

DEMANDS AGAINST THE TOWN.

James Packard's note, dated March 1, 1896,	$600 00
Ann B. Greenough's note, dated April 2, 1896,	500 00
Ann B. Greenough's note, dated July 27, 1896,	300 00
Ann B. Greenough's note, dated Dec. 3, 1896,	300 00
Interest due on said notes to Feb. 15, 1897,	61 74
S. D. F. Demeritt, cemetery trust fund, omitted from last year's report,	200 00
	$1961 74
Less balance in Treasurer's hands,	76 19
Total indebtedness,	$1885 55

The foregoing is a true statement of the financial affairs of the town for the year ending Feb. 15, 1897.

CLARENCE M. DE ROCHEMONT,
WILLIAM L. FURBER,
JOHN J. GREENOUGH,
Selectmen of Newington.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

VALENTINE M. COLEMAN,
ISAAC F. JENNESS,
Auditors.

Highways.

The amount of money raised for the repairs of highways and bridges, and committed to the Board of Highway Agents to be worked out under their supervision, was $570 48.

Orders received from the Agents by the Selectmen, and duplicated by them with orders on the Treasurer, were as follows :

FROM ROBERT H. PICKERING, HIGHWAY AGENT.

No. 1,	Isaac F. Jenness,	$3 20	
2,	Joseph H. Hoyt,	8 56	
3,	William T. Brown,	3 20	
4,	Willard A. Brown,	4 80	
5,	John S. Pickering,	14 40	
6,	Charles H. Pickering,	22 44	
7,	Robert H. Pickering,	13 80	
8,	George Pace,	2 60	
9,	Joseph S. Hoyt,	10 16	
10,	Thomas Newick,	10 40	
11,	Charles Allard,	2 60	
12,	Thomas Newick,	1 04	
13,	Thomas B. Hoyt,	18 10	
14,	Gilbert P. Hoyt,	19 84	
15,	John J. Greenough,	20 72	
16,	William C. Pickering,	8 80	
17,	Luther C. Pickering,	6 40	
18,	George Howe,	2 24	
19,	Daniel Davis,	4 28	
			$177 58

FROM ISRAEL A. NEILL, HIGHWAY AGENT.

No. 1,	Daniel Littlefield, drain pipe,	3 77
2,	Israel A. Neill,	7 87
3,	Harry de Rochemont,	10 55
4,	Israel A. Neill,	18 80
5,	Daniel Littlefield, drain pipe,	6 60
6,	F. W. de Rochemont,	27 26

7, Israel A. Neill,	$12 17	
8, Charles A. Dame,	30 60	
9, John Towle,	3 20	
10, John M. Moulton,	13 60	
11, Edward F. Brown,	2 40	
12, Albert H. Garland,	80	
13, G. H. Knox,	4 80	
14, Frederick Pickering,	9 60	
15, Thomas F. Pickering, winter,	3 90	
16, James B. Pickering,	3 90	
17, James W. Coleman,	2 60	
18, Joshua B. Pickering,	7 20	
19, William L. Furber,	3 90	
20, Cyrus Frink,	14 04	
21, Adams de Rochemont,	1 60	
22, Clarence M. de Rochemont,	1 80	
23, Darius Frink,	26 48	
24, Asa H. Wentworth,	2 40	
		$219 84

WINTER TAX.

25, Thomas F. Pickering,	3 80	
26, William L. Furber,	2 08	
27, James B. Pickering,	5 42	
28, Joshua B. Pickering,	2 86	
29, Cyrus Frink,	8 25	
30, Frederick Pickering,	48	
31, L. C. Pickering,	48	
32, Thomas F. Pickering,	3 70	
33, Israel A. Neill,	10 50	
34, Joseph McDonough,	1 92	
35, Adams de Rochemont,	4 00	
36, A. L. Brooks,	1 60	
		$45 09

FROM ENOCH COLEMAN, HIGHWAY AGENT.

No. 1, Isaac F. Jenness,	3 20	
2, Albert H. Garland,	9 28	
3, Joseph W. Whidden,	7 20	
4, Asa H. Wentworth,	3 20	
5, C. M. de Rochemont,	12 60	
6, Edward F. Brown,	3 20	
7, Charles A. Hodgdon,	3 20	
8, Enoch Coleman,	24 50	

9, Valentine M. Coleman,	12 20	
10, Jackson M. Hoyt,	4 00	
11, John F. Hoyt,	2 40	
12, Luther C. Pickering,	3 20	
13, William C. Pickering,	1 60	
14, James W. Coleman,	17 60	
15, William Witham,	5 20	
16, Benjamin S. Hoyt,	7 20	
17, Charles A. Dame,	10 40	
18, Daniel W, Badger,	11 48	
19, L. L. de Rochemont,	8 80	
20, Henry Bean,	9 00	
21, Franklin A. Pickering,	10 50	
22, Asa H. Wentworth,	1 60	
23, J. Howard Knox,	7 52	
24, Charles A. Dame,	1 80	
25, Edward T. Downing,	2 52	
26, A. F. Durgin,	1 60	
27, Albert H. Garland,	2 40	
28, Daniel Littlefield, drain pipe,	34 70	
29, Enoch Coleman,	9 00	
		$231 10

WINTER TAX.

30, Albert H. Garland,	1 60	
31, Patrick McDonough,	1 76	
32, Franklin A. Pickering,	40	
33, A. F. Durgin,	1 60	
34, Valentine M. Coleman,	2 00	
35, L. C. Pickering,	1 12	
36, Albert H. Garland,	2 40	
37, Edward F. Brown,	2 40	
38, Edward T. Downing,	1 12	
39, Enoch Coleman,	6 55	
30, Harrison Downing,	1 52	
41, James W. Coleman,	1 64	
42, James H. Knox,	1 12	
43, L. L. de Rochemont,	2 40	
44, William C. Laws,	96	
		$28 59

Orders from the Board of Highway Agents of 1895, for labor removing snow after settlement in February, 1896, were ordered paid, as follows:

Joshua B. Pickering,	96	
William L. Furber,	1 12	
Cyrus Frink,	3 00	
John Towle,	5 12	
Harry de Rochemont,	5 12	
F. W. de Rochemont,	8 20	
I. A. Neill,	9 56	
Enoch Coleman,	5 60	
Edward F. Brown,	32	
Amos Dame,	2 00	
Asa H. Wentworth,	80	
		$41 80

Whole amount expended for repair of highways is as follows :

By Highway Agent Robert H. Pickering, summer,	$177 58
Israel A. Neill, summer,	219 84
Enoch Coleman, summer,	231 10
Israel A. Neill, winter,	45 09
Enoch Coleman, winter,	28 59
Amount of winter labor, Board of 1895,	$41 80
Total for Summer,	$628 52
Excess over highway tax,	58 04
Whole amount expended for highways,	$744 00

School Report.

The School Board of Newington herewith present their report for the year ending Aug. 1, 1896.

The school for the past year has been under the charge of Miss Hattie M. Hook, who has taught with her usual good success.

The idea of having a lady teacher for the year instead of the old method which has been in use so long here, of having a lady teacher for the spring and fall terms and having a gentleman for the winter, is working to good advantage, we think. This changing of teachers twice each year is not always for the best interest of the pupils.

We notice that the rate per cent. of attendance for the past year has been a little higher than for several previous years, which is certainly a step in the right direction.

We wish to urge upon parents the importance of the regular and constant attendance of their children at school, for without this they cannot make much advancement toward an education.

ABRA H. GARRETT,
FREDERICK PICKERING, } *School Board.*
FLORENCE HOYT,

TABLE OF GENERAL STATISTICS.

Term.	Name of Teacher.	No. of weeks.	Wages per month.	No. of scholars.	Average daily attendance.	Percentage daily atten.	No. in Reading.	No. in Spelling.	No. in Penmanship.	No. in Arithmetic.	No. in Geography.	No. in Grammar.	No. in History.	No. in Composition.	No. in Drawing.	No. in Physiology.	No. in Book-keeping.	No. in Algebra.	No. in Civil Government
Fall.	Hattie M. Hook.	11	$45	37	31	.8557	37	37	37	37	37	30	6	30		29	2	3	
Winter.	Hattie M. Hook.	16	55	41	32	.8648	41	41	41	41	41	34	16	30		30	6	3	16
Spring.	Hattie M Hook.	9	45	38	31	.8611	38	38	38	38	38	24	11	30	20	15	8	3	6

Number of scholars not less than five years of age who have attended public school not less than two weeks, 58.

Number of persons in town between 14 and 21 unable to read and write——

Number of children between 5 and 15 not attending school, 5.

Number of children in town reported, boys, 33; girls, 24.

Number of visits by school board, 10.

Number of visits by citizens, 55.

Financial Report of the School Board of Newington, for the year ending August 1, 1896.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, Aug. 1, 1895,	$69 62
Received school money for year,	604 86
Literary fund,	47 88
Whole amount received,	$722 36

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Janitor for use of town hall,	$1 00
Hattie M. Hook, teaching 11 weeks, at $11 25,	123 75
Edith G. Hoyt, for supplies,	2 30
Jackson M. Hoyt, services as truant officer,	2 00
Hannah J. Pickering, services as clerk,	2 00
C. M. deRochemont, sending two scholars to school in Portsmouth, 7 months,	14 00
J H. Leavitt, sending one scholar to school in Portsmouth, 10 months,	10 00
D. W. Badger, sending three scholars to school in Portsmouth, 8 1-6 months,	30 00
Mrs. Mary E. Noyes, sending one scholar to school in Portsmouth, 6 months,	6 00
D. P. Paul, sending one scholar to school in Portsmouth, 7 months,	7 00
For Annie Knight, going to school in Portsmouth, 5 months,	5 00
F. A. Pickering, sending one scholar to school in Portsmouth, 8 months,	8 00
G. P. Hoyt, sending one scholar to school in Greenland, 6 months,	6 00

Hattie M. Hook, teaching 16 weeks, at $13 75,	220 00
L. L. deRochemont, sending two scholars to school in Portsmouth, 10 months,	20 00
Henry Bean, services as auditor,	1 00
Frederick Pickering, services as treasurer, and cash paid out,	3 00
A. P. Wendell & Co., paint,	2 25
F. Moody, labor,	5 00
Mrs. McDonough, cleaning school room and soap furnished,	5 20
Hattie M. Hook, teaching 9 weeks, at $11 25,	101 25
Cash on hand,	147 61
	$722 36

ABRA H. GARRETT,
FREDERICK PICKERING, } *School Board.*
FLORENCE HOYT,

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Newington School Board and find them corectly cast and with proper vouchers for all expenditures.

HENRY BEAN.

Fifth Annual Report of the Trustees of the Langdon Free Public Library.

In accordance with established custom, the library trustees herewith present their fifth annual report for the year ending Feb. 15, 1897.

The year has been marked by several special additions to the attractiveness and usefulness of the library.

At the beginning of the year a classified author's finding list, fresh from the press, was offered to every household in the town, free of charge, the town having generously voted at the annual town meeting to assume the bill for printing the catalogue, and the trustees and librarian having cheerfully given much thought and labor to its preparation.

It is recommended that the supplementary lists published as an appendix to this and forthcoming reports be detached from the town report and attached to the catalogue, thus keeping the latter up to date. Prompt attention to this suggestion will greatly extend the value of the catalogue, as the number of books in circulation increases from year to year.

The founder of the library expresses his appreciation of the work of cataloguing the books in the following characteristic letter:

40 West 58th Street.

My Dear Miss Pickering:

I received a copy of the catalogue, also annual report. I desire to express my thanks to yourself, your fellow trustees, and the librarian, for the thorough manner in which

the catalogue has been prepared; and I enclose my check for $500, to be applied to any expenses of the library the trustees may deem best.

Truly yours,

WOODBURY LANGDON.

MARCH 12th, 1896.

With the cordial co-operation of Mr. Langdon, the trustees have expended a portion of this donation in enlarging the reading room, and in making other needed improvements in the building; and they contemplate still further increasing the attractiveness of the institution, by adding the best books they can procure, by furnishing the additional room secured by the alterations, by providing some means of lighting the building, and by securing specimens illustrating natural history—a valuable accessory to a collection of books, and a never failing source of information to the student.

Another much needed improvement to the library building is the cementing of the cellar; but the trustees do not feel that the entire cost of this work should be taken from the funds Mr. Langdon has placed at their disposal, though they are willing to bear half the expense, providing the town will do the same.

The slip system of charging, introduced during the year, materially lessens the clerical work of the librarian, and enables her to use her time during library hours to better advantage to the patrons.

To the wisely-directed efforts of the librarian, the library must always owe much of its widening sphere of usefulnesss; and librarians are coming to realize the educational value of their personal work. They must be regarded as something more than custodians of public property, regulating the heat and ventilation of the building; their work being not alone to protect the books, but to feed them to

hungry minds ; not so much the distribution of the books, as giving information concerning books.

The trustees acknowledge the value to the community of the untiring exertions of our librarian to increase the efficiency of the library, as well as her cheerful co-operation in all the measures the board has been able to devise for the betterment of the institution and its work.

One who reads much of the new educational movement for public libraries cannot fail to be impressed by the amount of thought bestowed upon the relation of the library to the public school.

Throughout the United States and Canada, boards of education, library trustees, teachers and librarians, are co-operating to make the public library a powerful ally of the public school. A spirit of mutual helpfulness prevails, and many new methods of work have been inaugurated to make the library the means of continuing the educational work begun in the schools.

The formation of a wise reading habit with a love for good books is, aside from moral training, the highest thing a school can give its pupils.

School children should form a large part of the patrons of a library, and library attendants should see that every child is cordially welcomed, helpfully entertained, and not sent empty-handed away.

The vexing problems which confront the thinking world to-day can only be solved by an increase of the general intelligence. To this end, the education of humanity, are working four leading forces, the press, the pulpit, the library, and the school, among which the library must be counted the broadest, the most liberal ; beginning with the youngest seeker for knowledge, and continuing its ministrations to advanced age, contributing to the happiness,

order and prosperity of all who will avail themselves of its uplifting influences.

It cannot be repeated too often that the public library freely offers the best thoughts of the best writers of all times on all subjects ; and while the trustees feel gratified that the books have attained wide circulation, they regret that there are still families that have not yet availed them selves of the richest benefits of the library ; and they earnestly hope that the coming year will be one of steady and healthy growth, and that every citizen of our town will feel the influence of this educational institution.

JAMES W. COLEMAN,
JAMES DREW,
AMANDA PICKERING, } *Trustees of Langdon Library.*

FAITH E. STAPLES, *Librarian.*

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

CASH RECEIVED.

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1896	$20 63	
Interest of Langdon fund	60 00	
Town appropriation	15 00	
Fines collected	70	
Total,		$96 33

CASH EXPENDED.

Librarian's services	$32 00	
Library supplies	5 05	
Periodicals for reading table	19 70	
Books purchased	3 75	
Carpenter's work and stock	2 32	
Library furnishings, stove, etc	16 35	
Cleaning	3 50	
Janitor's services	2 75	
Cellar window screens	2 40	
Amount on hand, Feb. 15, 1897	8 51	
Total,		$96 33

Mr. Langdon's special donation of five hundred dollars was deposited in the savings bank, from which the trustees have withdrawn one hundred and ninety dollars for

alterations ; they having paid to W. A. Ashe, architect, fifteen dollars, and to W. A. Hodgdon, contractor, one hundred and seventy-five dollars.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Cash, five hundred dollars, Woodbury Langdon, New York.
Year Book of the Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York, Woodbury Langdon.
Illustrated London News, 1896, Woodbury Langdon.
The Destiny of Man, Perley Doe.
Life of Lucy D. Osborne, Ruby S. Frink.
Manchester Up to Date, Publisher.
Spraying Crops, (pamphlet,) Piscataqua Grange.
Contagious Diseases of Domesticated Animals, Piscataqua Grange.
Nature Studies, (pamphlet,) Caroline Garland, Dover.
Lists of Publications on Political Subjects, Caroline Garland, Dover.
Dover Public Library Report, 1896, Caroline Garland, Dover.
Dover Public Library, Supplement to Catalogue, Caroline Garland, Dover.
Finding List of Exeter Public Library, Frances Moulton.
McClure's Magazine, Shakespeare Club.
Ladies' Home Journal, Reapers' Circle.
Golden Rule, Y. P. S. C. E.
Granite State Endeavor, Sunday School.
Union Signal, W. C. T. U.
Illustrated Calendar, 1897, Agricultural College.
Illustrated Calendar, 1897, Youth's Companion.
Engravings (framed,) Miss Akerman.
Ornamental trees and shrubs, Jones farm.
State and National Reports, (29 volumes,) town.

PERIODICALS ON THE READING TABLE.

WEEKLIES.

Harper's Weekly,
Harper's Bazar,
Youth's Companion,
Golden Rule,
Literary Digest,
Prairie Farmer,
Union Signal,
Inter-Ocean.

MONTHLIES.

Frank Leslie's,
McClure's Magazine,
Ladies' Home Journal,
Popular Educator,
American Poultry Journal,
Farm Journal,
The Kitchen Magazine,
Junior Golden Rule,
Pansy.

Bound volumes of Harper's Magazine and the Illustrated London News are regularly added to the library by Mr. Langdon.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Number of days open to the public	52
Borrowers registered to date	323
Largest circulation, February 6, 1897	188
Smallest circulation, March 21, 1896	50
Visitors, non-resident, to date	331
Periodicals regularly supplied	17
Fines collected	$ .70

CIRCULATION FOR THE YEAR.

American History	109
American Biography	103
Foreign History	102
Foreign Biography	87
Travels	415
Arts and Sciences	306
Fiction	3431
Drama and Poetry	205
Literature	105
Religion	17
Reference	180
Reports	2
Bound Periodicals	144
Current Periodicals	659
Total,	5865

Supplement to Catalogue.

AMERICAN HISTORY.

Falkenhorst, C., With Pizarro in Peru,	40.91
Falkenhorst. C., With Cortez in Mexico,	40.92
Hickey, W., The Constitution of the United States,	40.93
Perkins, D. L., Manchester Up to Date,	40.94
Roster Eighth N. H. Volunteers,	40.95
The First N. H. Regiment in the Great Rebellion,	40.96
The Third N. H. Regiment in the Great Rebellion,	40.97
The Thirteenth N. H. Regiment in the Great Rebellion,	40.98

AMERICAN BIOGRAPHY.

Adams, O. F., The Story of Jane Austin's Life,	60.1
Abbott, J. S. C., Life of Miles Standish,	60.68
Bolton, S. K., Poor Boys Who Became Famous,	60.64
Bolton, S. K., Girls Who Became Famous,	60.65
Bolton, S. K., Famous American Authors,	60.66
Hosmer, J. K., Life of Samuel Adams,	60.67
Duplicate,	60.67
Osborne, Lucy D., Heavenly Pearls Set in a Life,	60.69
Sheridan, P. H., Memoirs of P. H. Sheridan, Vol. I,	60.19
Sheridan, P. H., Memoirs of P. H. Sheridan, Vol. II,	60.20
Sherman, Wm. T., Memoirs of W. T. Sherman, Vol. I,	60.17
Sherman, Wm. T., Memoirs of W. T. Sherman, Vol. II,	60.18
Webster, Daniel, Dedication of Statue,	60.70
Year Book of the Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York,	60.71

FOREIGN HISTORY.

Griffis, W. E., Japan in History,	30.148
Irving, Washington, Conquest of Granada, and Biography of Oliver Goldsmith,	30.149

FOREIGN BIOGRAPHY.

Bolton, Sarah K.. Famous English Statesmen,	70.126
Bolton, Sarah, K., Famous English Authors,	70.127
Bolton, Sarah K., Famous European Artists,	70.128
Ireland, Mrs. Alexander, Life of Jane Welsh Carlyle,	70.114
Schumucker, S. M., Life of the Emperor Nicholas I,	70.5b

TRAVEL.

Ballou, M. M., The Story of Malta,	20.156
Buel, J. W., America's Wonderlands,	20.157
Custer, Elizabeth B., Tenting on the Plains,	20.158
Cameron, V. L., The Log of a Jack Tar,	20.159
Cotes, Mrs. (S. J. Duncan,) A Social Departure,	20.160

Drake, S. A., Old Landmarks of Boston, 20.12b
Nourse, J. E., American Explorations in Arctic Zones, 20.161
Stoddard, J. L., Glimpses of the World, 20.162
Taylor, Bayard, At Home and Abroad, 20.32b

ARTS AND SCIENCES.

Cooke, Maud C., Social Etiquette, 50.138
Darwin, Charles, Insectiverous Plants, 50.135
Hamilton, W. R., Our Young Soldiers, 50.136
Hitchcock, C. H., Geology of New Hampshire, Vol. II, 50.63
Northrop, H. D., The Delsarte Manual of Oratory, 50.137

FICTION.

Ballantyne, R. M., Erling the Bold, 14 B 1
De Stael, Madame, Corinne, 5 D 1

DRAMA AND POETRY.

Carey, H. F. (Trans.) Purgatory and Paradise, illustrated by Dore, 80.70
Carey, H. F , (Trans.,) Dante's Inferno, illustrated by Dore, 80.71
Milton, John, Paradise Lost, illustrated by Dore, 80.69
Moore, Frank, (Ed.,) Songs and Ballads of the American Revolntion, 80.67
Repplier, Agnes, (Comp.,) A Book of Famous Verse, 80.68
Shakespeare, Wm., Richard Grant White, (Ed.,) The Works of William Shakespeare, Vol. I, 80.72

RELIGION.

Fiske, John, The Destiny of Man, 100.11

REFERENCE.

Alibone, Dictionary of Authors, Vol. I, 10.53
Alibone, Dictionary of Authors, Vol. II, 10.54
Alibone, Dictionary of Authors, Vol. III, 10.55
Alibone, Dictionary of Authors, Supplement, Vol. I. 10.56
Alibone, Dictionary of Authors, Supplement, Vol. II, 10.57
Brewer, E. C., Dictionary of Miracles, 10.52
Carey, H. F., (Trans.,) Purgatory and Paradise, illustrated by Dore, 80.70
Carey, H. F., (Trans.,) Dante's Inferno, illustrated by Dore, 80.71
Fontaine, F. G. de, Cyclopædia of the Best Thoughts of Charles Dickens, 10.58
Milton, John, Paradise Lost, illustrated by Dore, 80.69
Library Bureau Catalogue, 10.59
Raubaud, E., Cassell's French and English Dictionary, 10.50
Weir, Elizabeth, Cassell's New German Dictionary, 10.51
Year Book of the Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York, 60.71

REPORTS.

Agriculture, National Report, 1894, 1 volume.
Annual Reports of State of New Hampshire, 7 volumes.
Abridgment of Message and Documents, 1892-93, 1 volume.
Board of Health Reports for New Hampshire, 2 volumes.
Journals of the New Hampshire Constitutional Convention, 1889, 1 volume.
Journals of the New Hampshire Senate and House, 1893, 1 volume.
Morrison's Digest, 1891, 1 volume.

New Hampshire Manual, 1889, 1 volume.
Report of New Hampshire Forestry Commission, 1895, 1 volume.
State Papers of New Hampshire, 7 volumes.

BOUND PERIODICAL.

Illustrated London News, 1896.

Treasurer's Report.

Total receipts and expenditures of the town of Newington for the year ending Feb. 15, 1897 :

RECEIPTS.

Cash in the treasury, Feb. 15, 1896,	$87 23	
Received for wood sold,	90 60	
Savings bank tax,	588 04	
Railroad tax,	40 78	
Literary fund,	32 20	
Rent of town house,	23 00	
Rent of town hall,	23 09	
Rent of town pasture,	8 00	
Dog license,	78 60	
Of Collector of Taxes,	3198 94	
Lot in burying ground,	5 00	
For zinc sold,	25	
Mrs. Greenough's notes,	1100 00	
For lime sold,	25	
		$5275 98

PAID.

Orders of Selectmen,	$3254 79	
Highway orders,	744 00	
State tax,	545 00	
County tax,	574 65	
		$5118 44
On hand,		$157 54

FREDERICK PICKERING, *Treasurer*.

NOTE.—Owing to an error in figuring, the amount of money in the Treasurer's hands is $157 54, instead of $76 19, as stated on page 8.

Hawk Account.

Sixty-three hawks were brought to the Selectmen, for which a bounty of $15 75 was paid by the Selectmen, and returned to them by the state.

Insurance on Town's Property.

The policy on the old parsonage house, barn and road machine, expires January 1, 1898.

The policy on the town hall, schoolhouse and meeting house, expires January 1, 1899.

The policy on the public library and books expires March 15, 1899.

Amount paid for wire used near highway:
Frederick W. de Rochemont, $3 15.

Report of the Overseers of Poor.

It is a most remarkable fact, that for the period of five consecutive years there has been no demand for the services of the above named board of officials, and we congratulate ourselves and the town's people in general that we have been so abundantly blessed in this particular branch of the town's service.

CLARENCE M. DE ROCHEMONT, *Chairman.*

Report of the Superintendent of Burying Ground.

During the year just closed I have sold one lot to Elizabeth Yeaton, $5 00.

ENOCH COLEMAN, *Superintendent.*

Dog Account.

Dog license on hand, April 1, 1896,		$72 00
Number of dog licensed, 37—4 being females.		
Amount of dog license, less Clerk's fees,		78 60
Bills paid from the dog account:		
Charles H. Pickering, 3 ducks,	2 25	
Frederick Pickering, damage to sheep,	2 00	
Postals and printing notices,	1 25	
Constable's fees,	2 00	
		7 50
License on hand,		71 10
ADDITIONAL TAX ABATED.		
Moses H. Witham,		5 71
Joseph E. Leavitt, poll tax, left town,		1 42
		$7 13

Cost of New Road.

The new highway leading from opposite the town hall to a point on the main road at the northerly boundary of D. Wesley Badger's land, has been completed, and the total cost of the same is as follows:

From last year's report—

Costs of court,	$18 83
Selectmen's bills,	15 00

Counsel's fees,	26 00
J. R. Holmes,	4 00
Bills paid 1896:	
Land damages,	241 00
Cost of building, C. A. Badger,	1600 00
L. E. Scruton,	76 00
Highway Agents,	30 00
Commissioners' fees,	125 85
Making the total cost of road,	$2136 68

Police Department.

In May, 1896, the Selectmen appointed the following officers:

James Drew, at the P. &. D. R. R. station.

Frelinghuysen Moody, at the town hall.

Luther C. Pickering, at the church, and Albert H. Garland.

Each officer is furnished with a badge, and a set of handcuffs is in the possession of Officer Garland; said badges and handcuffs are the property of the town, and are to be delivered to their successors.

Under the efficient direction of Chief of Police James Drew, the majesty of the law has been upheld, and the peace and dignity of the commonwealth preserved, while our citizens could retire at night with the assurance that they were safe from invasion from without or foes within the town.

Date of marriage.	Place of marriage.	Name and surname of groom and bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Age of each in years.	Color.	Occupation of groom and bride.	Birthplace of each.	Name of parents.	Birthplace of parents.	Occupation of parents.	Number of marriage.	Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married.
Feb. 4.	Newington.	Joseph W. Cowles.	Boston.	26	w	Elec. Eng	Norfolk, Ct.	J. N. Cowles. Sarah Cowles.	Norfolk, Ct. New Haven.	Banker. Housewife.	1	Rev. Edward Robie, Greenland, N. H.
Feb. 4.	Newington.	Fannie P. Hoyt.	Newington.	26	w	Musician.	Newington.	Joseph S. Hoyt. Martha Hoyt.	Newington. Newington.	Farmer. Housewife.	1	
May 30.	Greenland.	George A. Carkin.	Newington.	21	w		Portsmouth.	George O. Carkin. Grace E. Hodgdon.	Portsmouth. Portsmouth.	Painter. Housewife.	1	Rev. Edward Robie, Greenland, N. H.
May 30.	Greenland.	Isabel E. Baker.	Malden.	20	w		Malden, Mass.	John Baker. Julia Baker.	Canada. Canada.	Contractor. Housewife.	1	
June 11.	Portsmouth.	Alfred Terrio.	Newington.	26	w	Farmer.	Vanburen, Me.	Alexander Terrio. Nora Terrio.	Madawaska. Madawaska.	Farmer. Housewife.	1	Rev. M. V. McDuffie Portsmouth, N. H.
June 11.	Portsmouth.	Bernes M. Brooks.	Newington.	22	w	At Home.	Eliot. Me.	Alfred L. Brooks. Annie Brooks.	Eliot Me. Eliot, Me.	Farmer. Housewife.	1	
Sept. 8.	Newington.	Ross M. Neill.	Newington.	27	w	Sho'm'k'r.	Ledge, N. B.	Thomas Neill. Rachel Neill.	Eastport, Me. Calais, Me.	Sailor. Housewife.	1	Rev. John W. Bell, Newington, N. H.
Sept. 8.	Newington.	Augustus Goodeill	Newington.	21	w		Charlotte, Me.	James Goodeill Almira Goodeill	Pembroke. Pembroke.	Carpenter. Housewife.	1	
Sept. 18.	Newington.	Bertrand Durgin.	Nashua.	23	w	Clerk.	Lowell, Mass.	Harris Durgin. Isadore Durgin.	Nottingham. Alexander.	Overseer. Housewife.	1	Rev. John W. Bell, Newington, N. H.
Sept. 18.	Newington.	Grace B. Dodge.	Nottingham.	21	w		Lowell, Mass.	Maggie Dodge.	Concord.	Housewife.	1	

I hereby certify that the above record is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ALBERT E. HODGDON, *Town Clerk.*

Births registered in the Town of Newington, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1896.

Date of Birth.	Place of birth.	Name of child.	Living or still-born	Sex.	Color.	No. of birth.	Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Residence of parents.	Color of parents.	Occupation of parents.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.	Age of father.	Age of mother.
March 29	Newington		L	M	W	6	Daniel W. Badger	Edith M. Whidden	Newington.	W	Farmer. Housewife.	Portsmouth.	Newington.	30	29
April 26	Newington	Phineas P. Coleman	L	M	W	4	Enoch Coleman	Lizzie Dowell	Newington.	W	Farmer. Housewife.	Newington.	Boston.	39	35
June 17	Newington	Clyde W. Archibald	L	M	W	1	Alex. Archibald	Angeline Stopford	Newington.	W	Farmer. Housewife.	Nova Scotia.	South Berwick.	23	23
July 11	Newington		L	F	W	1	George E. Pace	Kate Maceachan	Newington.	W	Farmer. Housewife.	New Brunswick.	Nova Scotia.	24	27
Dec. 8	Newington		L	F	W	1	Alfred Terrio	Bernice M. Brooks	Newington.	W	Laborer Housewife.	Maine.	Maine.	28	22

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Date of death.	Name.	Sex.	Color.	Married, single, or widowed.	Years.	Months.	Days.	Occupation.	Place of birth.	Disease or cause of death.	Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.
Jan. 14	Caroline E Bean.	F	w	w	68	5			Dover, N. H.	Apoplexy.	George Wormell.			
April 12	Emily Canney.	F	w	w	79	8		Housewife	Derry, N. H.	Cancer of Uterus.				
August 19	Abbie H. Coleman.	F	w	w	75	9	2	Dressmaker	Dover, N. H.	Cholera Morbus.	Solomon Gray.	Caro. W. Strafford		

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